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Road Work to Close Moose-Wilson Road for Twenty-Six Hours

Grand Teton National Park Superintendent Mary Gibson Scott announced today that a twenty-six hour travel closure will be implemented on the unpaved segment of the Moose-Wilson Road within Grand Teton National Park from 6 p.m. on Tuesday evening, August 1, through 8 p.m. Wednesday evening, August 2. This temporary closure will involve the length of the Moose-Wilson Road from Granite Canyon trailhead to the JY Ranch gate. The closure is necessary to grade the road, fill potholes, and apply a dust abatement product. By working around the clock, the project should be concluded within a short period of time – barring inclement weather or equipment malfunction.

In addition to the improvements underway on the unpaved road surface, a chip seal application will be placed onto the paved portion of the Moose-Wilson Road from the JY Ranch entrance gate to the junction with Teton Park Road near the Moose Visitor Center. The chip seal project will temporarily close the paved road from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 2. Hikers wishing to access the Death Canyon trailhead should be advised that vehicle travel will not be possible during the scheduled work hours.

Due to increasing traffic volumes on the Moose-Wilson Road, the surface has deteriorated to the point of needing substantial repair. This project will involve shaping and grading work on the gravel segment of the Moose-Wilson Road during the overnight hours of August 1, and the application of a dust abatement product during daylight hours of August 2. The road treatments will provide an added measure of safety for motorists using this road by making a more durable and smooth surface. By minimizing the presence of dust, there will also be improved visibility and reduction of resource damage to nearby vegetation. The chip seal application will prolong the life of the paved road surface.

While the twenty-six hour closure will inconvenience visitors who wish to drive the Moose-Wilson Road, these improvements will make future road travel a safer and more enjoyable experience. Local residents and park visitors are advised to make travel plans accordingly and detour away from the Moose-Wilson Road during the twenty-six hour closure period.

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